Dr. Talmege Preaches About the Giant's Bodstead:

## LESSONS FOUND IN THE BIBLE

th the Eleven Feet Heethen War-

ave no particulars of the battle, but which the Investites trembled when they my this measter of a man acoving down o crush them. Also for the Investites: Will their troubles never coase? What can see five and a half feet high do against his warrier of eleven feet, and what can hert swords do against a sword whose please must have been like a finch of lighting? The battle of Edrei opened. Moses sed his army met the giant and his newy. The Lard of Rosts descended into the fight, and the gignatic strides that Og had made when advancing into the battle were more them equaled by the gignatic strides with which he retreated. Hunter for intemphent herael! Sixty fortified cities surrandered to them. A land of indescribable opulence some into their possession, and all that is left of the giant king is the iron bedstead. "Nine oubits was the length thereof and four oubits the breath of it."

BY THE COMPANY RE REME.

Why did not the Bible give us the sixe of the giant instead of the sixe of the bedstead? Why did it not indicate that the giant was also me to think instead of talling us that his couch was thirteen and a half feet leng? No doubt among other things it was to beach us that you can judge of a man by his surreundings. Show me a man's heave, and I will tell you what he is without your telling me one word about him. You cannot only tell a man according to the old adags, "By the company he keeps," but by the beeks he reads, by the physical giants or physical pygmies, like physical giants or physical pygmies may be indeed by their surroundings.

OG, KING OF BASHAN own way up from a charactal barrary to the limits of the supreme court of the United States. Yes, a man can decide the size of the state of the size of the

the judge appropriately pointed to them and said to his students. "Behold the evil affects of early rising."

In Bible times, when people arose at the voice of the bird, they retired at the time the bird puts his head under his wing. One of our national size is robbery of aleep. Walter Scott was so urgent about this duty of alumber that, when arriving at a hotel where there was no room to sleep in. except that in which there was a corpec, inquired if the deceased had died of a contagious disease, and, when assured he had not, took the other had in the room and fell into profoundest alumber. Those of small andurance must certainly require rest if even the giant needs an iron bedstead.

Notice, furthermore, that God's people on the way to Canaan need not be surprised if they confront some sort of a giant. Had not the Israelitiah host had trouble shough already? No! Red sea not enough. Water famine not enough. Long marches not enough. Opposition by enemies of ordinary stature not enough. They must need Og, the giant of the iron bedstead. "Nine cubits was the length thereof and four cubits the breadth of it." Why not let these laraelities go amouthly into Canaan without this gigantic opposition! Oh, they

without this gigantic opposition? Oh, they needed to have their courage and faith further tested and developed! And blessed the man who, in our time, in his march toward the Promised Land, does not meet more than one giant. Do not conclude that you are not on the way to Canaan because of this obstacle.

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As well might the Israelites conclude they were not on the way to the Promised Land because they met Og, the giant. Banding in your way in some evil propensity, some social persecution, some business misfortune, some physical distress. Not one of you but meets a giant who would like to hew you in twain. Higher than eleven feet this Og darkens the sky and the rattle of his buckler stuns the ear. But you are going to get the victory, as did the Israelites. In the name of the God of Moses and David and Joshua and Paul, charge on him, and you will leave his carcass in the wilderness. You want a battle shout!

Take that with which David, the five footer, assailed Goliato, the nine footer; when that giant cried, with stinging contempt both in manner and intonation, "Come to me, and I will give thy Seah unto the fowls of the air and to the beasts of the field," and David looked up at the monster of braggadocio and defiantly replied: "Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield; but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of Hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast feffed. This day will the Lord deliver thee unto mine hand; and I will smite thee and take thise head from thee, and I will give the carcases of the loot of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air and to the wild beasts of the acrth that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel."

Then David, with probably three swiris of the airl and the tweet in momentum and let fly till the cranium of the giant broke in and he fell, and David leaped on his carcase, one foot on his chest and the other on his head, and that was the last of the Philistine. But he sure you get the right hattle shout and that you utter it with the right spirit, or Og will roll over you acassly as at night he rolled into his iron bedstead.

It is FIGHT ALL THE WAY.

Brethren, I have made up my mind that we will have to fight all the way up to the promised land. I used to think that after awhis I would get into a time where it would be smooth and easy, but the time does not come and it will never come in this world. By the time King Og is used up so that he cannot get into his iron bedstead, some other giant of opposition lecture up to that he cannot get into his iron bedstead is as long as the continent. His name is Deubt. His common foot is insided books and shoptical lectures and ministers who are more insided than Christian. You will must him? He is not claven feet high, but one hundred feet high. His bedstead is as long as the continent. His name is long as the continent. His name is loud. His layers and shopted is selected of the t

beaven, the first thing he struck was the bettem of perdition.

THE CHURCH MUST PREVAIL.

Another impression from my subject:
The march of the church cannot be impeded by gigantic opposition. That larneliths host led on by Meess was the church, and when Og, the gians (him of the tens bedstead), came out against him with another host—a fresh least against one that seemed worn out—things must have looked had fur Israel. No account is given of the bedstead of Moses, except that one in which he first stept—the cradic of aquatic vegetation on the Nile, where the wife of Cheasphres, the king, found the footing babe and, having no child of her own, adopted him. Moses of ordinary size against Og of extraordinary dimensions. Besides that Og was backed up by sixty fortified cities. Meses was backed up seemingly by nothing but the desert that had worn him and his army into a group of undisciplined and exhausted stragglers. But the Israelites triumphed. If you spell the name of Og backward you turn it into the word "Go," and Og was turned backward and made to go.

With Og's downfail all the sixty cities surrendered. Nothing was left of the giant except his iron bedstead, which was kept in a museum at Rabbath to show how tall and stout he once was. So shall the last giant of opposition in the church's march succumb. Not sixty cities captured, but all the cities. Not only on one side of Jordan, but on both sides of all the rivers. The day is coming. Hear it, all yo who are doing something for the conquest of the world for God and the truth, the time will come when, as there was nothing left of Og, the giant, but the iron bedstead kept at Rabbath as a curiosity, there will be nothing left of the giants of iniquity except something for the relie hunters to azamine.

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Which of the giants will be the lastalaia I know not, but there will be a museum somewhere to hold the relies of what they once were. A rusted sword will be hung up—the only relie of the giant of War. A demijohn—the only relie of the giant of Inebriation. A roulette bell—the only relie of the giant of Inebriation. A roulette bell—the only relie of the giant of Stock Gambling. A broken knife—the only relie of the giant of Assassination. A yellow copy of Tom Paine—the only relie of the glaut of Unbellet. And that museum will do for the later ages of the vorid what the iron bedstead at Rabbath did for the earlier ages. Do you not see it makes all the difference in the world whether we are fighting on toward a miserable defeat or toward a final victory?

All the Bible promises prophesy the latter, and so I cheer you who are the troops of God, and though many things are dark now, like Alexander I review the army by torchlight, and I give you the watchword.

now, like Alexander I review the army by torchlight, and I give you the watchword which Martin Luther proclaimed, "The Lord of Hosts!" and I cry out exultingly with Oliver Cromwell at the bettle of Dunbar, "Let God arise; let his enemies be scattered." Make all the preparations for the world's evangelisation. Have the faith of Robert and Mary Moffatt, the missionaries, who after preaching in Bechuanaland for ten years without one couvert when asked what they would like to have sent them by way of gift from England, asid, "Send a communion service, for it will be surely needed;" and sure enough the expected in gathering of many souls was realized and the communion service arrived in time to celebrate it. Appropriately did that missionary write in an album when his autograph was requested:

celebrate it. Appropriately did that missionary write in an album when his autograph was requested:

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Go Follward!

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der with white lily and incarnadined with red rose.

And now I bargain with you that we will come back some day from our superstallar abode to see how the world looks when it shall be fully emparadised—to last tear wept, its last wound healed, its last shackle broken, its last desert gardenized, its last gizet of iniquity decapitated. And when we land, may it be somewhere near this spat of earth where we have together toiled and struggled for the kingdom of God, and may it be about this hour in the high noon of some glorious Sabbath, looking into the upturned faces of some great andience radiant with holisess and triumph.

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